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**NEVADA PREPAID TUITION PROGRAM CONTEST WINNER
ANNOUNCED IN SOUTHERN NEVADA**

Carson City, NV. State Treasurer Dan Schwartz and the Board of Trustees of the College Savings Plans of Nevada (Board) announced the Southern Nevada winner of the 4th annual Nevada Prepaid Tuition contest this morning. There were 400 Nevada residents who purchased a new contract from November 1, 2015 through January 31, 2016 with the Nevada Prepaid Tuition program were entered for a chance to win one year of free tuition for their beneficiary.

The Southern Nevada winner is Kenta Yap, a 7th grade student at Bob Miller Middle School in Henderson, Nevada. Kenta has won a year of college tuition, currently valued at \$6,023. It will be worth even more by the time Kenta begins college in the year 2021! This free year of tuition can be in-state or out-of-state at any college or university that accepts FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid). Kenta wants to be a professional chef when he grows up. Kenta and his family joined Nevada State Treasurer Dan Schwartz this morning on KVVU FOX 3's "MORE & MORE Access" this morning in Las Vegas.

The Northern Nevada winner will be announced on February 24th in Reno, Nevada.

The Nevada Prepaid Tuition program has been around for 18 years, with over 19,000 participants. Though this year's contest is over, the enrollment period is still open for family members who wish to purchase a contract for their loved one (newborn through 9th graders) until March 31, 2016. For more information go to NV529.org or call 702-486-2025. Plans start as low as \$38 per month for a community college plan.

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